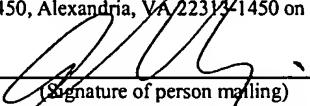


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows:

Introductory Comments

Page 3 of this response describes the amendments to the Specification. Pages 4-9 provides a complete listing and status of the claims, all of which are Original. Page 10 describes the Remarks accompanying this preliminary amendment.